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Attention Provider Type 22 (Dentist):

Dental Radiology and Exam Codes

Some claims submitted by provider type 22 (Dentist) for bitewing images are being denied in error with error code 6126 (Dental services not allowed within six rolling months) when billed within six months of periapical images. Effective August 19, 2019, error code 6126 will be inactivated and the claims will no longer deny in error.

The impacted claims processed on or after February 1, 2019, and before August 19, 2019, that denied in error will be automatically reprocessed. Providers do not need to resubmit or appeal the denied claims. A future remittance advice message will notify providers when the claims are reprocessed. The impacted procedure codes are listed in the following table:

Bitewing Images Procedure Codes:	
D0270	Bitewing - Single Radiographic Image
D0272	Bitewings - Two Radiographic Images
D0274	Bitewings - Four Radiographic Images
D0277	Vertical Bitewings - Seven to Eight Radiographic Images
Periapical Images Procedure Codes:	
D0210	Intraoral - Complete Series of Radiographic Images
D0220	Intraoral Periapical First Radiographic Image

Effective August 19, 2019, error code 6136 (Dental services not allowed on the same date of service) will deny multiple procedure codes for bitewings billed with the same date of service.

Effective August 19, 2019, new error code 6508 (Paid dental exam code not on file) will deny radiology codes if no exam code is billed for the same date of service. The impacted procedure codes are listed in the following table:

D0210	Intraoral - Complete Series of Radiographic Images
D0220	Intraoral - Periapical First Radiographic Image
D0230	Intraoral - Periapical each additional Radiographic Image
D0240	Intraoral - Occlusal Radiographic Image
D0270	Bitewing - Single Radiographic Image
D0272	Bitewings - Two Radiographic Images
D0273	Bitewings - Three Radiographic Images
D0274	Bitewings - Four Radiographic Images
D0330	Panoramic Radiographic Image

Effective August 19, 2019, exam codes and radiology codes will be linked as listed in the following table:

Exam Code	Associated Radiology Code
D0120 POE	D0220, D0230, and either D0270, D0272, D0273 or D0274
D0140 Limited Prob. Focused	D0220, D0230 and either D0270, D0272, D0273 or D0274
D0145 Oral Eval. <3 yrs	D0240 and D0220, D0230
D0150 Comp. Exam	D0210 and D0330 <u>or</u> D0220, D0230 and either D0270, D0272, D0273 or D0274
D0160 Exten. Prob Focused	D0220, D0230 and either D0270, D0272, D0273 or D0274
D0170 Re-eval	D0220, D0230 and either D0270, D0272, D0273 or D0274
D0190 Screening	D0330
D0191 Assessment	D0330